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Title:

Integrated-Circuit Implementation of a Storage-shelf Router

and a Path Controller Card for Combined use in High-Availability Mass-Storage-Device Shelves and that Support

Virtual Disk Formatting

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PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner of Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time for filing the response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2006, from September 27, 2006 to, November 27, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2976 for the extension fee of \$450. The fees have been calculated in accordance with applicants' large entity status.

At anytime during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2976 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally, please charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2976 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. This notice is being submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted, Joseph H. Steinmetz et al.

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